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**Islam**

The Qur’an is the Islamic equivalent to the bible. It was revealed in the Arabic language to Muhammed, the main prophet of Islam, over a period of 23 years. Revelations in the Qur’an are regarded as the sacred word of God that is intended to correct errors in previous books like the Old and New Testaments. There are 114 chapters, all of which begin with the phrase *Bismillahir rahmanir raheem* except one. The Qur’an is the most holiest book in the Islam religion.

Muslims have five basic practices that they are expected to perform throughout their lifetime. They are called the Five Pillars of Islam. The first is Shahadah, which is to sincerely recite the Muslim profession of faith. The second is Salat, which is to perform prayer five times a day. The third is Zakat, which is to give to charity. The fourth pillar is Sawm, which is fasting during the holy month of Ramadan. The last is Hajj, which is to make a pilgrimage to Mecca. According to Islam, every Muslim must do these things in order to live a good and responsible life.